MG rail Lines in UP

†3272. SHRI MUNAVVAR HASAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the length in terms of kilometre of metre gauge railway line in Uttar Pradesh at present;

(b) the details of these lines, region-wise;

(c) whether some of these lines are lying damaged for many days;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what steps Government propose to take for the reconstruction and restarting these railway lines in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) the length of metre gauge railway line (route kilometres) in Uttar Pradesh in 1771 kms. as on 31 -3-2002 (latest available)

(b) Region-wise details of route kilometres within a State are not maintained.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Loan from ADB to Railways

3273. SHRI VAYALAR RAVI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Asian Development Bank has agreed to extend $ 600 million to the Indian Railways during 2002-2005;

(b) if so, whether they have attached preconditions for sanctioning the loan;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether the Railways have accepted these conditions; and

(e) if so, to what extent the Railways are implementing the projects after getting this loan from Asian Development Bank?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Yes, Sir. Asian Development Bank (ADB) has approved a loan of US$ 313.6 million during Dec, 02, for Railway sector improvement. The loan agreement has not yet been signed.

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